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Rapporteur: Cristina Popescu (Romania)

Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Commission on Population and Development held its fiftieth session at United Nations Headquarters on 15 April 2016 and from 3 to 7 April 2017. The Commission held ___ meetings (1st to ___).

2. At the 2nd meeting, on 3 April 2017, the session was opened by the Chair of the Commission, Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani (Qatar), who also made a statement.

3. At the same meeting, the Chef de Cabinet, the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund and the Director of the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs addressed the Commission.

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by ___ States members of the Commission. Observers for ___ other States Members of the United Nations and ___ non-member State(s), representatives of organizations and other entities of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. The list of participants will be available in document E/CN.9/2017/INF/1.

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C. Election of officers

5. At its 1st and 2nd meetings, on 15 April 2016 and 3 April 2017, the Commission elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chair

Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani (Qatar)

Vice-Chairs

Lewis G. Brown (Liberia)
Cristina Popescu (Romania)
Nicola Barker-Murphy (Jamaica)
Leonoor van Munster (Netherlands)

6. At its 2nd meeting, on 3 April 2017, the Commission designated the Vice-Chair, Cristina Popescu (Romania), to serve also as Rapporteur for the session.

E. Agenda

7. At its 2nd meeting, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda (E/CN.9/2017/1), which read:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. General debate:
   (a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels;
   (b) Special theme of the fiftieth session of the Commission based on the Programme of Action of the International conference on Population and Development and the key actions for its further implementation.
4. Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population.
5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-first session of the Commission.
6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fiftieth session.

8. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of work of the session (E/CN.9/2017/L.1).

F. Documentation

9. The list of documents before the Commission at its fiftieth session is available on the website of the Population Division (www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/commission/sessions/2017/index.shtml).